

Circular Letter No. 24/2017

My No. PGIM/EX/14/MD/OG
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 07.

10th March 2017

To: All the prospective MD(Obstetrics & Gynaecology) trainees

MD OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY EXAMINATION – MAY, 2017

1. The above examination will commence on **Monday 15th May 2017**. The examination will be held in Colombo.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.
 - (a) Satisfactory completion of two years training in Obstetrics & Gynaecology
 - (b) Satisfactory completion of one year rotational appointments
 - (c) Satisfactory progress reports (nine) acceptable to the BOS
 - (d) Satisfactory Peer Team Ratings (six) acceptable to the BOS
 - (e) A duly completed Training Portfolio which is accepted by the examiners
 - (f) Satisfactory completion of dissertation which is accepted by the examiners
 - (g) Satisfactory professional conduct and attendance during the training period certified by the trainers
 - (h) Good health certified by a specialist approved by the PGIM
 - (i) Obtained the minimum pass marks for continuous assessments in stages 1 to 3

Note : It is a requirement by the Board of Study for the candidates to present the Log Books maintained by them during the training period as a Registrar **for the examination** with the necessary certifications by the Supervisory Consultants.

3. The examination will consist of 4 sections :

(1) Written Paper

MCQ

40 questions

20 True/False

02 hours

10 SBA

10 EMQ

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SEQ	06 questions	03 hours
(2) OSCE	09 stations	135 minutes
(3) Clinical	Obs. Case	50 minutes
	Gyn. Case	50 minutes
(4) Continuous Assessments		

Requirements to pass the examination:-

The candidate must obtain a total mark of 1800 (60%) or more out of 3000.

AND

50% (300 marks) or more for SEQ

AND

50% (200 marks) or more for MCQ

AND

60% (360 marks) or more for OSCE

AND

60% (240 marks) or more for Clinical

AND

Fulfill the criteria in Continuous Assessments according to the section 15 of prospectus 2012.

4. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.
5. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD examination are required to be present for the first scheduled examination after completion of the training programme. If a candidate does not apply or does not sit the first scheduled examination or subsequent scheduled examinations for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be counted as attempts.
6. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of the first examination.** This requirement will not apply to those candidates who have sat the Selection/Part I examinations before 1998. However after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one year further training before permitted the sixth attempt.
7. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “General Regulation & Guidelines 2016” which is available on PGIM website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.

8. The candidates should commence the overseas training within five years after passing the MD Examination and if not the date of Board Certification will be delayed.
 9. There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is delay, the Board Certification will be delayed accordingly
 10. The minimum duration of Post MD training required to be eligible for Board Certification shall be one year local and one year overseas. However the duration may be more than two years in certain specialties and the information is available in the prospectus.
 11. The candidates who shall commence the pre MD (Registrar) or Post MD (Senior Registrar) training after 1st August 2011 should pass the Pre- Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available at the PGIM for perusal.
 12. Following the completion of prescribed requirements for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee applies for Board Certification with the relevant documents within one month following the completion of such requirements. If this is not followed, the date of Board Certification will be delayed.
 13. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows:-
 - (a) Registration fee - Rs. 5,000/= (Non Refundable)
 - (b) Examination fee - Rs. 51,000/=
 - (c) Application fee - Rs. 2,000/= (Non Refundable)
 - (c) Assessment fee - Rs. 2,500/= (Non Refundable)
- Only online payments will be accepted by the PGIM**
14. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 2000/- or can be downloaded from our website www.cmb.ac.lk
 15. Complete applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department, confirming that the applicants if selected would be released for postgraduate training in the PGIM. The applications should reach the Asst. Registrar/ Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **03rd April 2017**. The envelope should be marked “**Application for MD (Obstetrics & Gynaecology)**” at the top left hand corner. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
 16. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar.

17. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website – www.health.gov.lk
18. The results will be valid and official only after they are approved by the Senate of the University.
19. The candidates will be issued an “**Examination Feedback Form**” with the admission documents. It should be sent to Director/ PGIM under confidential cover **within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination**. If the form is not returned it will be assumed that you do not have any concerns regarding the examination and was conducted according to the Prospectus/rules/regulations of the PGIM. **No complaints or concerns regarding the examination will be entertained after 48 hours of conclusion of the examination or following the release of results** nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.
20. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty

Professor H Janaka de Silva
Director, PGIM

- Cc:
1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
 2. Director General of Health Services.
 3. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council.
 4. Secretary of Board of Study in Obstetrics & Gynaecology.
 5. Secretary, College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists of Sri Lanka.
 6. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
 7. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.